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Submitted herewith is a copy of a PCT International Search Report dated January 27, 2003, relating to the corresponding PCT patent application of the above-identified U.S. patent application. The International Search Report cites the following references:

- (1) Gonzalez et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0019786
 A1, published February 14, 2002 (from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/907,583, filed July 19, 2001);
- (2) Huberman, U.S. Patent No. 5,826,244, issued October 20, 1998;
- (3) Sevcik et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,330,542 B1, issued December 11, 2001;
- (4) Gindlesperger, U.S. Patent No. 6,397,197 B1, issued May 28, 2002;
- (5) EP 1 176 536 (A2) (CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA), published January 30, 2002;
- (6) WO 02/23453 (A1) (ZEBORG, INC.), published March 21, 2002;
- (7) PrintBuyer.com, <u>The Print Buyers Marketplace</u>, Copyright 1996-2002 by Cambridge Technologies, Inc., http://www.printbuyer.com/, 3 pages; and
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The International Search Report placed document (1) in categories "A" and "P", with regard to claims 1-41, citing the entire document, the abstract and paragraphs 0001, 0005 and 0006.

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The International Search Report placed document (5) in categories "A" and "P", with regard to claims 1-41, citing the entire document, the abstract and paragraphs 0001, 0010 and 0012.

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